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CLASS WAR

ISSUE 2 - MARCH/APRIL PUMPING UP THE JAM

BRITSH MEDIA? DONT BELIEVE THE HYPE

WITH Iraq pulling out of Kuwait and the Yanks finally agreeing to a "ceasefire", the biggest sales booster for the scummy lackey press in years will be drawing to a close.

In the past months, the self appointed propaganda machines of the British government have been working overtime. The 'mass support' for 'our boys' has been mass produced by the various scumrags that make up the 'popular' press - each trying to 'out Brit' the other. Each arselicking paper falling over themselves to prove to us how patriotic they are.

Any resistance to the Western war machine has either been ignored or smothered in the pro- war propaganda, lies and bullshit. Facts distorted and the truth ignored altogether in the interests of 'military security'. Rupert Murdoch, Robert Maxwell and the other press barons are literally making a killing. We say, Murdoch and Maxwell - GET TO FUCK.

Direct action against those legitimate targets will continue despite any so called 'peace' in the region. What the war has shown is the need for an alternative media, not one controlled or infatuated with Great British government and 'democracy'.

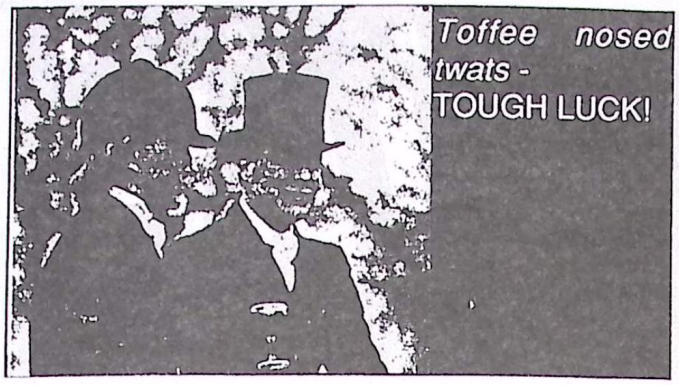
And we aint talking about any crappy boring leftie paper produced by some bunch of power seeking commies only interested in enforcing *THEIR* regime onto us. We're talking about a paper that relects reality and the way the people speak. By us, for us. We aint talking about revolutionary theory or intellectual bullshit that most of us cant understand. **We're talking pure uncensored Class War.**

NAZI SCUM: NO ROOM HERE

On the 8th December last year, neo nazi weirdos were surrounded by nearly 1000 anti facsists baying for their blood. The right wing geeks in question, the BNP, attempted to have a national rally but were foiled by an angry crowd of would be nazi-bashers which included people from Class War, Redaction, The Anti Poll Tax Fed as well as local youths and casuals, some sporting Rangers scarves no less!

However, the cops started ferrying the nazis away in their meatwagons to the safety of Stewart St station and promptly set about the crowd, arresting 36. These people are due in court from the 18th March. Support and donations are needed NOW. Bashing nazis is NO crime, the sooner the filth are booted off the streets, the better. Send donations to: Anti-Facsist Defence Fund, c/o West Scotland NUS, 90 St John St, Glasgow, G1 1JH.

IF YOU WANT PEACE, PREPARE FOR WAR - CLASS WAR



LOCAL NEWS

FOX HUNT FUCKED - Edinburgh's nearest Foxhunt has finally bit the dust after struggling along for the past few years. The Linlithgow & Stirlingshire had been around for 225 years and was Scotland's oldest if not most pathetic hunt. March 2nd saw around 70 Hunt Saboteurs turn up to hassle the hunt and to mock the toffs on horseback. Hunt scum got a taste of their own medicine when surrounded by Sabs they were forced to retreat under a hail of gob and abuse. Good riddance to the inbred perverts. For more info write to the Hunt Sabs at P.O. Box 421, EH11 1QD.

LABOUR PARTY SCUM - Lothian Regional Council's ruling Labour group not content with merely doing the Tories job for them feel the need to surpass them. They recently purchased a local Bingo Hall for £2 1/2 million in order to turn it into an upper class Opera theatre and at the same time decided that the Unemployed Workers Centre and Citizens Rights Office, both in Broughton St, would have to go. No doubt theres a few back handers been dished out to our 'socialist' friends.

PIGS FOR SLAUGHTER - A group of local youths including C.W. activists and local anarchists are currently working on an indepedant music magazine for Edinburgh. Covering a variety of stuff, they hope to bring social/political issues to the fore as well as having a good laugh. First issue is due out in May. Write to 'PEARLS FOR SWINE', P.O. Box 421 for more info.

SCANDAL & GOSSIP - Our ever reliable sources planted inside the Anti-Poll Tax campaign tell us that at least 4 members of the Socialst Workers Party in Edinburgh are paying their share. Are they following the party line we wonder?! Andy Clachers, Militant top knob, and Lothian Federation vice-chair is working as a bouncer in 'Merlins' in posh Morningside. Obviously, Militant wages arent up to scratch.

FREE THE MUIRHOUSE 1! - The recent Anti-Poll Tax demo in Glasgow turned out to be a typical leftie day out. Marching for miles through backstreets, the Militant Tendency enforced their usual stranglehold on the proceedings. Thus, when one of the Edinburgh CW crew got done for selling papers, the leftie stewards ignored it and were noticeable by their abscene at the resultant picket of Stewart St police station. Then again Militant are more renowned for grassing folk up rather than defending them.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Po-lice families in a Peterhead housing scheme have been forced to move after a non stop hail of abuse from neighbours. The two police semis are now being disposed of after intimidation and jibes from angry locals. Pig-free zones? Thats the way to do it!

LOCAL GROUP NEWS

THE last anti-Gulf War march in Edinburgh saw the first outing for Class War, with our banner (a spray canned bedsheet quickly nailed to two poles)and a few placards with our "No War but the Class War" posters on. We met up with a few folk from Glasgow and together managed a small posse. We even sold a dozen or more papers at the rally.

The next night, unfortunately saw our flyposting tour rudely interrupted by the 'boys in black' - though we managed to stick a good couple of dozen up before having them nicked of us.

This second trip was almost as successful as the first flyposting which put up over 30 posters. These actions are just a start for our group. Coupled with regular paper sales at gigs, in newsagents and on street corners these methods help us get our name and then message across.

We now have regular meetings (write for details), a good contact list with local supporters and groups in Newcastle & Glasgow.

Our next aim is to increase our paper sales (70 per issue at the moment) and start public meetings, video showings and campaigns of our own. We also plan to produce a Scottish Class War newsletter between us and Glasgow, possibly a 4 page one.

We need people to come to our meetings, to get pasting and writing on the walls, to sell papers and spread the word - its time to turn up the heat. Class War, our time has come.

MEMEBERSHIP

AT the last national conference, the C.W. Federation voted to become a membership organisation. For £12 you receive all publications and internal Bulletins and are allowed to be a speaker at the National conference.

Either write to Manchester C.W. with the money or get more details from us.

MANCHESTER C.W., P.O. Box 39, SW PDO, Manchester, M15 5HN. Or ring the C.W. Hotline - (061) 226 1293.

DIARY

March 23 - National Anti-Poll Tax demo, London. Assemble 12 noon, Victoria Embankment.

April 6/7 - Class War Federation National Conference, Tyneside.

May 4 - Benefit gig for E.C.W. and local anarchists. Possibly with The Levellers, Leatherface and/or Terminus. Moray House, Holyrood Road.

IN THE AREA

Class War is available from Chas Burns International Newsagents in the High St or from us for 40p (a S.A.E. would be nice too). Write for details of stickers, T-shirts, posters etc. Get writing, get active.

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